Docket: T3572-908375US01
PATENT APPLICATION

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : Conf. No.: 4047

Bruce S. HALL : Group Art Unit: 3637

Serial No.: 10/510,691 : Examiner: Phi D A

Filed: October 8, 2004

For: Shrapnel Containment System

and Method for Producing Same

### STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This to provide documentation of a November 3, 2006 Personal Interview between Examiner Phi D A and the undersigned Applicant's representative regarding a Final Office Action mailed October 12, 2006.

- (A) Exhibit(s) shown or demonstration conducted: Yes, a measurement units conversion table with the correct numerical values for mil and mm.
- (B) Claims discussed: 1 and 30.
- (C) Prior art discussed: N/A.
- (D) Proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed not already described on an Interview Summary form completed by the examiner: N/A.

(E) General thrust of the principal arguments of the applicant: Rejection in error,

because Examiner used the incorrect numerical value for "mil", when the correct

numerical value is 1/1000 inch. As a result, claimed range outside disclosed range in

primary reference.

(F) General indication of any other pertinent matters discussed: N/A.

(G) General results or outcome of the interview: Examiner to reconsider rejection of

claims, withdraw finality of the last action and reconsider the claims.

(H) Was interview via electronic mail, if so, a paper copy of the Internet e-mail

contents is attached hereto: N/A.

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credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in

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Respectfully submitted

February 9, 2007

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- (A) Exhibit(s) shown or demonstration conducted: N/A.
- (B) Claims discussed: 1.
- (C) Prior art discussed: 6,898,907.
- (D) Proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed not already described on an Interview Summary form completed by the examiner: N/A.

(E) General thrust of the principal arguments of the applicant: Rejection in error,

Examiner can't deconstruct 6,898,907 in such a way as to make it inoperable for its

intended purpose. As a result, no motivation or suggestion exists to modify 6,898,907 as

done by the Examiner.

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